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THE HONORABLE
ALFONSE D'AMATO
SUITE 1635
ONE PENN PLAZA
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

DEAR SENATOR D'AMATO:

I REFER TO YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY 14 TO THE DEPARTMENT
OF STATE ON BEHALF OF YOUR CONSTITUENT,
CONCERNING THE IMPRISONMENT IN ARGENTINA OF
SEVERAL ARGENTINE CITIZENS, AND TO THE DEPARTMENT'S
REPLY OF FEBRUARY 23, A COPY OF WHICH WE RECEIVED
ON APRIL 20.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS THE LATEST THAT WE HAVE
ON EACH OF THE CASES IN WHICH YOU EXPRESSED AN
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JORGE ARRIETA WAS RELEASED FROM PRISON ON PAROLE
LAST SUMMER, AND WAS GIVEN HIS UNCONDITIONAL

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director
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FREEDOM LAST DECEMBER.

JUAN EPSTEIN WAS RELEASED FROM PRISON LAST NOVEMBER.

WE HAVE NO INFORMATION ABOUT JOSE ERLICH, OSCAR KULZANOSKY, OR MIRTA MENAJOSKY, BUT WE WILL ASK THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA AND FORWARD THE REPLY TO YOU.

ANA ESTHER KOLDORF WAS RELEASED FROM PRISON ON MAY 28, 1982.

WE BELIEVE THAT EDUARDO MENAJOSKY IS STILL IN PRISON AT THE DISPOSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH (A SO-CALLED PEN PRISONER, FROM THE SPANISH ACRONYM "PODER EJECUTIVO NACIONAL"), BUT WE WILL ASK THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, THE NUMBER OF PEN PRISONERS IN ARGENTINA AS OF APRIL 20 WAS DOWN TO 199 (FROM APPROXIMATELY 650 IN DECEMBER 1981). INTERIOR MINISTER LLAMIL RESTON HAS SAID THAT NO PRISONERS WOULD BE HELD IN PEN STATUS BY THE END OF 1983.

SINCERELY,

HARRY W. SHLAUDEMAM
AMERICAN AMBASSADOR
BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

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